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INSECT SODIUM CHANNELS FROM INSECTICIDE-SUSCEPTIBLE AND INSECTICIDE-RESISTANT HOUSE FLIES

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention is directed to isolated nucleic acid molecules encoding a voltage-sensitive sodium channel (VSSC) of Musca domestica, the VSSC being capable of conferring insecticide susceptibility or insecticide resistance to Musca domestica, as well as to the isolated voltage-sensitive sodium channels of Musca domestica encoded thereby. Nucleic acid molecules encoding insecticide susceptible VSSCs and nucleic acid molecules encoding insecticide resistant VSSCs are provided. Methods for increasing or decreasing the expression of functional voltage-sensitive sodium channels in host cells are also provided, as well as methods using the sodium channels. Also provided is a method for isolating other voltage-sensitive sodium channels.